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SUBJECT: GSP INFORMATION BROCHURES

1. COUNSELOR FOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS OF CROATIAN ECONOMIC CHAMBER HAS ASKED ASSISTANCE OF CONGEN IN OBTAINING NARRATIVE LIST OF TSUS ITEMS ELIGIBLE FOR GSP--HIS THIRD SUCH REQUEST IN AS MANY MONTHS. CONGEN OFFICER AGAIN OFFERED TIRED EXPLANATION THAT THERE HAVE BEEN DELAYS IN PRINTING THIS MATERIAL. CHAMBER OFFICIAL SAID HE HAD HEARD THIS BUT THOUGHT PROCESS MIGHT BE EXPEDITED IF CONGEN WOULD LEND HIM "ITS COPY" FOR REPRODUCTION, SEEMING TO IMPLY THAT MATERIAL PROBABLY WAS AVAILABLE BUT BEING WITHHELD FROM GENERAL CIRCULATION. CONGEN OFFICER OFFERED ASSURANCE THAT NO COPIES OF NARRATIVE LIST HAD BEEN SENT TO FIELD AND OUTLINED IN GREATER DETAIL REQUIREMENTS OF U.S. LEGISLATION AND PROCEDURES WHICH HAD OCCASIONED DELAYS IN PREPARING INFORMATIONAL BOOKLETS. COUNSELOR REGRETTEED THAT HE HAD NOT HAD MATERIAL ON HAND FOR CHAMBER SEMINAR IN LATE APRIL AT WHICH MORE THAN 100 CROATIAN ENTERPRISES INTERESTED IN TRADE WITH THE U.S. PRESENT AND NUMBER OF QUESTIONS RAISED RE GSP.

2. SIMILAR BARBS HAVE BEEN PASSED OUR WAY IN RECENT WEEKS BY A SENIOR ECONOMIC OFFICIAL OF SLOVENIAN REPUBLIC, U.S. SPECIALIST AT SLOVENIAN ECONOMIC CHAMBER, AND SEVERAL ENTERPRISES.

3. COMMENT: AVAILABILITY OF NARRATIVE LIST WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN MAKING POINT THAT THERE IS GOOD POTENTIAL FOR EXPANSION OF TRADE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND THAT YUGOSLAV EXPORTERS WILL FIND U.S. MARKET OPEN TO THEM. WHAT IS TARGET DATE FOR SHIPMENT OF

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